

A Merry Christmas Everybody!

WHAT a man wants for Christmas is something he can wear. The place to get it is where he himself would go to make a selection.

Our Clothing is from the County's best and most noted Manufacturers.

Our Hats, Caps and Headwear comes from the Makers who lead in quality and style.

Our Haberdashery is a choice selection of all the newest and best ideas on the market.

Perhaps a few suggestions would help you decide just what would be best to give.

Suits	Ties	House Coat	Pajamas
Overcoats	Gloves	Bath Robe	Night Robe
Fancy Vest	Hosiery	Shirts	Muffler
Rain Coat	Underwear	Umbrella	Sweater
Dress Suit	Collars	Shirt Protector	Suspenders

Come and see how many things we can show you that would be just right for "His" Christmas.

Harrison & Gillespie Bros
The Big Store

FUNSTON WILL NOT LEAVE GOLDFIELD

Says the Non-Union Men Claim to Be in Fear of Their Lives.

ARMED ALWAYS FOR PROTECTION

Delegation Calls Upon Commanding Officer and State That They Were Terrorized Until the Arrival of the United States Troops.

Goldfield, Nevada, Dec. 15.—A delegation of non-union labor men today called on General Funston, who is continuing his investigation with a view of determining the necessity for the presence of Federal troops in Goldfield.

"These gentlemen made the most remarkable statement I have yet heard," said General Funston to the Associated Press tonight. Their statement is that for months they have lived in constant fear. They have felt it necessary for their protection to be armed at all times, and have been compelled to avoid personal contact with members of the Western Federation of Miners in order to prevent serious trouble.

"This condition of affairs, they told me, obtained until the arrival of the United States troops, since which event the conditions have been greatly changed."

General Funston felt that this statement of conditions came from men who have been in a better position to know the real situation than any others who have talked to him since his arrival. In view of the facts learned today General Funston said there is little possibility of the troops leaving within ten days, and on his recommendation half of the number here now will be retained by the Washington authorities.

General Funston will not leave Goldfield before Tuesday.

Come to The Big Store for your Xmas goods.

THIEF STOLE WEDDING RING.

Groom Bought It and Left It in Coat Pocket.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 15.—When Miss Florence Parkinson becomes the bride next Wednesday of William C. Herbert she will probably wear upon her finger a wedding ring, the cost of which was far in excess of those usually worn by brides.

Herbert, who is a lieutenant in one of the Richmond volunteer companies of the Seventeenth Regiment of Virginia, purchased the ring for his sweetheart on his way to drill last night. The officer hung his overcoat, in the pocket of which the ring had been placed, in the dressing room of the armory, while he was engaged in his military duties. At the conclusion of the drill his overcoat was gone, and the ring too.

The police were at once notified and detectives put on the case. There is no clue to the identity of the thief. If the police are unsuccessful in their search for the trinket the young bridegroom will be bound to purchase another.

A great bargain in ladies Coats, Rain coats and skirts.

Pounding Mill Items.

Pounding Mill, Dec. 17, 1907.—Miss Lettie Ringstaff has typhoid fever, which was preceded by a severe attack of tonsillitis.

Mrs. George Brewster, Mrs. Charles Christian and little daughter, and Mr. and Mrs. Fulton Altizer's baby are also quite sick. Dr. Joe Smith is the attending physician.

It is rumored that there will be a couple of weddings in the village in the near future.

Mr. Rex. Steele returned home Sunday from Emory and Henry College to spend the holidays. His sister, Miss Uva is expected home the last of the week from Martha Washington College; Mr. George Hurt from Bethany College; Mr. James Park from Emory and Henry College.

Mrs. M. J. Sturgill has had a well drilled. Mr. Alex. Ryley is also having one drilled.

Mrs. Susan Ringstaff returned home last week from visiting relatives at near Memphis, Tenn. Her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Will Mulkey, Honaker, accompanied her.

Mr. Hunt Sturgill, who spent several months attending his brother, Mr. John Sturgill, has charge of the Union News Stand in Jacksonville, Florida, returned recently, and is News Butch from Bluefield to Roanoke.

The following are some of the sixteen who took a hay ride to Cedar Bluff Saturday night to be present at the entertainment, but were almost too late: Misses Cora, Gussie and Sophronia Christian, Mattie Ringstaff, Bertha Robinson, Willie Reins, Lydia Griffith, Lydia Williamson; Messrs. Claude and Mercer Thomas, Gus Christian, John Pruett, Will Robinson. They report as having had a delightful time.

Messrs. Tom Lambert and Goud Sparks, Raven, students of Virginia Christian College, are at home for the holidays and have been shaking hands with their many friends and relatives here.

Mrs. John Murphy, Charleston, W. Va., accompanied by her sister, Miss Viola Sparks, spent Friday night with their sister on their way home to their parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Sparks, Raven, where they will spend the holidays.

The following teachers attended the Teacher's Meeting at Tazewell on the 6th: Misses Marguerite and Effie Williams, Cora Christian, Bessie Witt, and Mrs. W. E. Steele.

The election seems to have passed off quietly, with Slomp ahead, they think.

Rev. Tom Crumley, of the M. E. Church expects to preach at the Union Church tomorrow night.

Rev. Geo. R. Thomas preached at the Church of God at Maxwell Saturday night and Sunday at 11 o'clock.

Shoes for all at The Big Store.

A Heavy Windstorm

A very severe wind storm visited this community and other sections of the county on last Friday night. Not a great amount of damage was done in town, only a few windows being smashed, but out in the country fences were blown down, and a store house at Maxwell was turned over and crushed to a wreck. In a pasture of Mr. Jos. S. Gillespie near town a large tree blew down, and fell upon and crippled five large steers so bad that they had to be slaughtered. They were what are called feeders, and would have made fine export cattle next year.

FIGHTING BOB AND HIS FLAT-IRONS DEPART.

President Bids Farewell to "Greatest Fleet" and Leads the Line for Ten Miles.

Old Point Comfort, Va., Dec. 16.—Admiral Evans set sail for the Pacific today cheered by the hearty good bye and God-speed of the president. The president received all the admirals and captains on the Mayflower before they sailed, but there was no speech. The occasion, he felt, did not require one as the setting out of a fleet is regarded merely as a detail of naval practice and training. But to the guests on his yacht the president expressed unfeigned delight at the showing made by the magnificent fleet. Pacing the deck in his characteristic fashion the president frequently would exclaim, "Did you ever see such a fleet? and such a day. It ought to make us all feel proud." The president said "I tell you our enlisted men are everything. They are perfectly bully, and always up to everything required of them." The occasion for this remark was the visit to the president of Coxswain Chandler, of the Louisiana, the vessel on which the president returned from Panama. As the ships of the fleet passed in review they saluted, and steamed out of the Virginia capes on their long cruise. They went at ten knots speed, and will bring up at Trinidad on Christmas eve, when the first stage of its journey will be at an end.

Though on a mission as pacific as the name of the waters it will soon be ploughing, the fleet was sent away prepared in every detail for any duty.

President Roosevelt, accompanied by a party of guests, came down from Washington on the naval yacht Mayflower. His arrival in the roadstead was signalized by a roar of salutes. When the resulting veil of powder had lifted from the ships, the Mayflower proceeded to anchor in the very center of the fleet. Then followed a reception on board, the president having a farewell message for the four rear admirals and sixteen commanding officers who are taking the ships through the Straits of Magellan to San Francisco. At the conclusion of the meeting on the Mayflower's quarterdeck, President Roosevelt shook each officer cordially by the hand, and as they went over the side he bade them an official adieu.

Then, for a journey of nearly ten miles, the president, as the commander-in-chief of the American army and navy, led the long line of battleships out into Chesapeake bay. They followed his flag to Thimble Shoal light, just five miles inside the capes, where the Mayflower turned aside and dropped her anchors for formal review.

As a naval pageant, the review and departure of the fleet was the most notable in American history. There have been several presidential reviews of the Atlantic fleet during the past eighteen months, but in those instances the great warships were lying docile at the end of spreading anchor chains, while the reviewing yacht passed up and down their lines. The fleet was under way, had cast from shore, and was outward bound. The salute of welcome had been paid in unison; the farewell tribute was an individual offering from each one of the sixteen ships.

The fleet passed out in single column, the Connecticut, the flagship of Admiral Evans, leading the way. The vessels were 400 yards apart, and from the Connecticut to the Kentucky, which brought up the rear of the line, reached a distance of more than four miles.

The five stages of American battleship construction were represented in the line, and as an object lesson in the growth of the American navy the spectacle found one of its most striking features.

A great line of ladies' and Gents' Neckwear.

Ladies, Gentlemen and childrens Handkerchiefs put up in dainty boxes for Xmas gifts.

Mail at Auction.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Twenty-two thousand six hundred and sixty-five articles that have accumulated in the Dead Letter Office will be put on sale at auction by the U. S. Government at 10 o'clock tomorrow.

There are three classifications—miscellaneous, books and jewelry. Of these the miscellaneous is the largest, the most varied and by far the most interesting, though of the least value. Men's things are in the minority, but there are enough of them. The principal men's articles are cigars, and suspenders, but there are also in the list vests, rubber shoes and pipes.

Women are more fully represented. There are women's shoes, gloves, handkerchiefs, ribbons and articles of wear which may be described as lingerie.

Queen Quality shoes in all styles at The Big Store.

Now is your time to buy a suit or overcoat. Prices reduced.

Harrison & Gillespie Bros.

SLEMP'S MAJORITY WILL REACH 6,500



MAJOR C. BASCOM SLEMP.

One of the most signal triumphs ever won by any candidate for Congress in this district was given C. B. Slomp on last Tuesday. Though opposed by a man who had long been a popular member of the Republican party and who was supported by a faction of the Democratic party, Mr. Slomp received the almost solid vote of his party. He stands acquitted of all charges of boresom by the united voice of his party; and the convention which nominated him has been vindicated from the charge

of being packed in his interest. If the convention was packed it was packed the people; and they also packed the ballot boxes for Slomp on Tuesday.

The Hon. C. B. Slomp gives promise of making one of the most useful representatives the district has ever had in Congress; and our people are to be congratulated on having so capable and good a man to represent them. He ought to feel proud of such a splendid vote of confidence as was given him by his people, and we have no doubt that he appreciates it fully.

OFFICIAL VOTE		
Of Tazewell County at Special Election Held on December 17th, 1907, to Elect Congressman From Ninth District of Virginia.		
PRECINCT	SLEMP	BAILEY
Tazewell	158	45
North Tazewell	78	23
Benbow	15	2
Poor Valley	39	1
Gap Store	66	5
Liberty Hill	57	0
Thompson Valley	21	4
Graham	74	25
Crocketts Cove	38	2
Cove Creek	49	1
Gratton	19	8
Dry Fork	37	2
Baptist Valley	44	1
Lockharts Chapel	53	9
Falls Mills	7	3
Abbs Valley	11	2
Cedar Bluff	41	17
Midway	62	4
Richlands	126	10
Freestone	10	0
Burkes Garden	22	12
Bluestone	33	9
Tiptop	52	3
Pocahontas	76	19
Pounding Mill	76	7
Total	1269	215

Slomp's majority 1,055.

Furs, Furs, Furs. New line just in.

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Unofficial Vote in District.

Bristol, Va., Dec. 18.—With all the counties in the Ninth District heard from except Craig, C. B. Slomp has a majority over Bailey, the independent Republican candidate for congress, of about 6,500.

Slomp's majorities by counties is reported as follows:

Wise, 936.
Lee, 500.
Wythe, 735.
Fulaski, 100.
Bland, 140.
Buchanan, 500.
Washington, 743.
Dickenson, 200.
Tazewell, 1,055.
Scott, 337.
Giles, 360.
Russell, 600.

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Absolutely Pure—Seal Shipt Oysters are sent directly from the beds in air-tight sanitary, enameled cases, which are sealed, packed in ice and not opened till they reach the dealer.

Absolutely Fresh—Seal Shipt Oysters have the appetizing sea flavor which is lost by other oysters in transit. Not being exposed to the air, they retain all the firmness, freshness and delicious tang given by sea-water.

Absolutely Wholesome—Seal Shipt Oysters, packed in a sealed, germ-proof, porcelain-lined case, do not come in contact with ice, air or water. They are kept thoroughly chilled in air-tight, Seal Shipt Carriers. No preservatives are ever used.

SEALSHIPT OYSTERS FRESH EVERY MORNING

SPOTT'S BROTHERS

BRYAN WAS NOT FOR DENVER.

Nebraska Did Not Use His Influence to Defeat Louisville.

Washington, D. C., December 16.—The statement that William J. Bryan favored the selection of Denver as the city in which to hold the Democratic National Convention, and that it was his influence which caused the defeat of Louisville, is emphatically denied by members of the Kentucky delegation, intimate friends of Mr. Bryan.

"Mr. Bryan told me a short time before the committee met here to select the place for the convention that it did not make the slightest difference to him where it was held," said Representative Ollie James, of Kentucky, today. "He declared he had no preference whatever. I have no idea he used his influence, one way or another."

"I have not the slightest reason to believe Mr. Bryan favored Denver or any city over any other city," said Representative Sherley, of Kentucky, who led the fight for Louisville.

The contrary opinion was expressed by one of the delegation which came here to urge the selection of Louisville.

Long and short kid gloves in all colors.

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THE BIG TEDDY BEAR FREE!

Height when standing 30 inches. Value \$10.00. Every person, old and young, visiting our store from Monday morning, the 16th, until Christmas, will have a free guess (one guess a day) at the number of sales made in this store in every department, December 24th. Lucky guess gets the large bear Christmas morning.

Remember it costs you nothing to guess.

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The Shoe Store of the town.

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See our line of ladies, misses and childrens Furs.

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CORTLEYOU IS NOT A CANDIDATE.

Secretary of Treasury Gives Out a Statement Denying Some Rumors.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Secretary Cortleyou in a signed statement given out tonight, pronounces as unqualifiedly false the current rumors of undue political activity of his friends in forwarding a movement in his interest. The secretary declares that neither he nor his friends have used their influence in behalf of any candidate for anything but the confidence of the people. He adds that if hereafter he should decide to be a candidate for any office, he will say so frankly. The statement follows:

"I do not know that I am called upon to make a statement at this time, but in view of the various rumors in circulation as to the alleged political activity of friends of mine in my interest, I will say I have not been a candidate for anything but the confidence of the people in the discharge of my duties as secretary of the treasury. I have not in person sought, nor have the friends whose names have been mentioned in this connection, sought to influence political movements in my interest; I have not, nor have they, used any influence, directly or indirectly to secure political support for or against any candidate for the presidency, and accusations that such has been done is unqualifiedly false. In no office, in no one of the three departments with which I have been connected, have I authorized or permitted officials or employees to attempt to influence any such movements, nor shall I do so. In common with many other citizens, I have decided views as to policies and candidates, but I shall refrain from expressing them until I believe it is proper for me to do so. Upon this statement I am entirely content to leave the people to draw their own conclusions regarding such rumors as those to which I have referred. If in the future I shall decide to be a candidate for any office I shall be prepared to say so frankly and state the grounds upon which I ask for support. In the meantime I shall try, as I have tried in the past, to conduct the treasury department for the benefit of the people of the whole country, and absolutely without regard to whether any action I may take in the line of my duty, may adversely affect my personal or political welfare."

"GEORGE B. CORTELYOU."

A full line of Xmas goods will be ready for display in a few days.

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Ferals in Turmoil.

Teheran, Dec. 15.—Popular agitation against the delay in the execution of soldiers who recently murdered two shop-keepers here reached a climax today in hostile demonstration on the streets, firing on the Parliament building, and the resignation of the cabinet.

The Shah ordered the arrest of the Premier, Nasir El Mulk and the Minister of the Interior, Sani Ed Dowleh, and Alla Ed Dowleh, the Governor of Shiraz, Parliament has demanded an explanation of the Shah's action and is sitting in permanent session until the answer is received.

It is supposed that the Shah is acting under the influence of the reactionaries, as he recently summoned two aged ex-Governors to his palace.

NOTICE.

By consent of all parties concerned, I have withdrawn from the firm of Hurt & Hurt and will not be responsible for any future liabilities created by the firm.

Oct. 1st, 1907.

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clothes for you; and if you live up to your looks in these clothes, you'll be a sure success in business.

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